

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present in-person: Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Jeremy Gragert, David Klinkhammer, John Lor, Terry Weld and Andrew Werthmann. The following Council Members were present remotely: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Catherine Emmanuelle and Roderick Jones.

UPDATE

Update by Acting Interim City Manager Winzenz regarding City operations and local response during the COVID-19 pandemic.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, November 9, 2021:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the October 26, 2021 Council Legislative Session.
- Authorizing Festival Foods to conduct the Festival Foods Turkey Trot on Thursday, November 25, 2021 at Hobbs Ice Arena and along City streets, trails, and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Community Services Department to conduct the Clearwater Winter Parade on Friday, December 3, 2021 at Owen Park and along Grand Avenue and First Avenue in Eau Claire.
- Authorizing Race Day Events to conduct the Run Santa Run 5K on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at Phoenix Park and along City streets, trails, and sidewalks.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and a Class C Wine license to Grinders Unlimited, Inc., d/b/a Mancino's Grinders & Pizza, 2295 Brackett Avenue, Samantha R. Biwer, agent.
- Granting a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to 3RD & Vine, LLC, d/b/a 3rd & Vine, 1929 3rd Street, Jared B. Bilhorn, agent.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. No. 2021-63, Digital Portable Radios for the Police Department.
- First reading of a resolution amending the City of Eau Claire Schedule of Fees and Licenses, effective January 1, 2022.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming November 22, 2021 as Public Health Thank You Day in the City of Eau Claire and calling upon Eau Claire residents to join all Wisconsinites in expressing our deepest gratitude to our public health heroes.

President Weld read a proclamation proclaiming November 11, 2021 as Veterans Day in the City of Eau Claire and encouraging all people to acknowledge and honor the contributions of our veterans to the principles of democracy, individual freedom, and human rights.

SKY PARK

The City Council considered a resolution approving an offer to purchase for the sale of Lots 23 to 26 in Sky Park to Weiss Commercial Real Estate, LLC. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

FINAL PLAT

The City Council considered a resolution approving the final plat known as Vine Street Addition for twin home development located along W. Vine Street (File P-11-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SITE PLAN

The City Council considered a resolution approving a site plan in a P-Public district to allow for the Eau Claire County Highway Department facility operation and other improvements (File PZ-2104). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a development agreement with C&E Wurzer Builders, LLC for street and utility improvements within Rosewood Lane. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

APPOINTMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution approving appointments to various Boards, Commissions and Committees. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS

The Council considered a charter ordinance relating to the City Council and the reapportionment of the Aldermanic Districts of the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located at 5005 and 5009 Highway 53 from TR-1A to P (Public) (Z-1702-21). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PARKING

The Council considered an ordinance amending various sections of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire related to parking. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located on Menomonie Street west of 10th Avenue from I-2 and P to C-3P and to adopt the general development plan for commercial and future development with a final site plan for a multi-use recreation and event center known as the Sonnentag Project (Z-1704-21).

BUDGET ADOPTION

2022 BUDGET ADOPTION

The City Council considered a resolution adopting the proposed General Fund budget and appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2022. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution adopting the proposed L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library budget and appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2022. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution adopting the City-County Health Department proposed budget and appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2022. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution adopting the following proposed budgets for various agencies and utilities of the City of Eau Claire for Fiscal Year 2022:

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| a. Economic Development | m. TID #11 (Downtown) |
| b. Community Enhancement | n. TID # 12 (Water Street) |
| c. Downtown Fund | o. TID #13 (Cannery) |
| d. Cemetery Maintenance | p. TID #14 (Menomonie Street) |
| e. Hazardous Materials Response | q. Water Utility |
| f. Landfill Remediation | r. Sewer Utility |
| g. K-9 Fund | s. Storm Water Utility |
| h. Debt Service - General Fund | t. Parking Fund |
| i. TID #7 (Soo Line
Development Area) | u. Public Transit |
| j. TID #8 (Downtown
Development Area) | v. Hobbs Municipal Ice Center |
| k. TID #9 (Gateway Northwest
Business Park Overlay) | w. Fairfax Municipal Pool |
| l. TID #10 (Confluence Project) | x. Risk Management |
| | y. Central Equipment |
| | z. Redevelopment Authority |

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution levying special assessment charges and extending annual installments of 2021 special assessments. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The City Council considered a resolution amending the 2022 - 2026 Adopted Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution appropriating the 2022 capital projects identified in the 2022 - 2026 Adopted Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND OFFICIAL INTENT

Council Member Klinkhammer left the Council Chamber.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds and authorizing an officer to declare official intent for federal income tax purposes. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Berge, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Jones, Lor, Weld and Werthmann. Absent: Council Member Klinkhammer.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BUDGETS

Council Member Klinkhammer returned to the Council Chamber.

The City Council considered a resolution approving the 2022 budgets for the Business Improvement Districts within the City of Eau Claire and authorization to levy special assessments:

- South Barstow Business Improvement District
- West Grand Avenue Business Improvement District
- Water Street Business Improvement District
- N. Barstow/Medical Business Improvement District

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PAY PLAN & PRACTICES

The Council considered an ordinance amending the City of Eau Claire Pay Plan and Practices. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Jones and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: November 9, 2021

Time: 6:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk